

HOUSE BILL No. 4866

June 5, 2001, Introduced by Reps. Gosselin and Drolet and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and Elections.

A bill to amend 1895 PA 3, entitled
"The general law village act,"
by amending sections 4 and 5 of chapter II and section 1 of
chapter III (MCL 62.4, 62.5, and 63.1), sections 4 and 5 of
chapter II as amended by 1998 PA 255.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 CHAPTER II

2 Sec. 4. (1) Unless otherwise provided by ordinance, the
3 president, clerk, and treasurer shall hold their respective
4 offices for the term of 2 years from the second ~~Monday~~ TUESDAY
5 of March of the year when elected and until their successors are
6 elected and qualified.

7 (2) A VILLAGE SHALL HOLD AN ELECTION UNDER THIS ACT ONLY ON
8 A TUESDAY.

1 Sec. 5. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, 3
2 village trustees shall be elected at each biennial village
3 election for the term of 4 years from the second ~~Monday~~ TUESDAY
4 in March of the even numbered year when elected and until their
5 successors are qualified. As an alternative, if provided by an
6 ordinance adopted by the village before January 1, 1974, all 6
7 village trustees shall be elected at the biennial village elec-
8 tions for the term of 2 years and until their successors are
9 qualified.

10 (2) If a village exempted itself from subsection (1) by
11 council resolution adopted before January 1, 1974, the village
12 shall continue to elect its trustees annually on the second
13 ~~Monday~~ TUESDAY in March with 3 trustees to be elected
14 annually. The trustees shall hold their offices for the term of
15 2 years and until their successors are qualified.

16 (3) A village that exempted itself as described in subsec-
17 tion (2) may subsequently provide by ordinance that the village
18 shall elect trustees biennially. The ordinance shall be applica-
19 ble to the even year village election to be held not less than 6
20 months next following the adoption of the ordinance. The ordi-
21 nance shall provide for a system of electing trustees as
22 described in subsection (1). The ordinance may extend the terms
23 of incumbent trustees for not more than 1 year if necessary to
24 provide for the biennial election of trustees. In any event, a
25 trustee shall serve until his or her successor is qualified.

1 (4) A copy of each resolution and ordinance adopted pursuant
2 to this section shall be forwarded to the director of the bureau
3 of elections of the department of state.

4 CHAPTER III

5 Sec. 1. Except with regard to villages that hold annual
6 elections pursuant to section 5(2) of chapter 2, the election of
7 officers shall be held biennially on the second ~~Monday~~ TUESDAY
8 in March in each even numbered year. An election shall be held
9 at such place in the village as the council shall designate.